



January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and are ready for a busy Spring Term. Just to remind you that the school day starts at 8.50a.m and registration is at 9.00 a.m. prompt. At the start and the end of the day, children enter and leave school via Elm classroom. If your child is being collected by anyone different, please notify the class teacher or the office.

### **Physical Education (PE)**

Year Two children have a weekly indoor and outdoor PE lesson. Please ensure your child's full PE kit is always in school with all belongings clearly labelled. We will send kits home at the end of each half term.

### **Home Learning**

Thank you for your continued support with reading with your child at home. Don't forget to write in the diary when you have read with your children as we do award house points for this. In order to enable your child to develop their comprehension skills, please talk about the book, the characters and their favourite part to see how well they have understood the text. Please record this in their reading diaries so we can monitor their progress.

Homework will continue to be given out on Thursdays, due in the following Tuesday. Homework will consist of Maths or Reading Comprehension and from this term onwards weekly multiplication practice. Spellings will be given out on a Monday and will be tested the following Monday.

Our International Primary Curriculum (IPC) unit of work for this term is 'Time Travellers'. If you have the chance to further their interest in this theme please take it - your enthusiasm and interest can really encourage learning!

Can we remind you that we ask children do not bring in any objects from home unless it is linked to our topic in class. However, once a week one child will be selected to take home the class 'Special Bag'. This is an opportunity for the child to choose something that is special to them and share it with the class. By doing so we hope to encourage your child to enjoy writing, so please support them but allow them to do this as independently as possible.

### **Lunches & Snack Time**

Please read through the menu at home with your child to check what they want and whether they will like that option. We provide free fruit for snack time, and toast can be bought for 10p. If your child chooses toast as an option then please ensure their snack money is in a named purse or wallet. During school hours we will continue to remind children to drink plenty of water and we ask that children only bring in water in a named drinks bottle.

### **Medication**

The school can only administer prescribed medication which needs to be left in the office with a signed form. Any other medication will need to be administered by parents/carers.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate in contacting your child's teacher through the office so a suitable time can be arranged for a chat.

Kind regards,

Mrs Barons, Mr Arrowsmith and Miss Skinner